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Happy partygoer -- A youngster attending Tuesday's Children's Christmas Party on base opens a present he received from Santa. See related coverage Page 4 and watch for additional coverage of the Mechanicsburg Federal Employees Leadership Association-sponsored event in the next Supplier.

To avoid loss of your household goods, keep PPSO informed

Did you know you that, under certain circumstances, a company storing your household goods (HHG) has a right to charge you for storage services or even sell your HHG?

This kind of situation can be avoided by working with your Personal Property Shipping Office (PPSO).

When you move, the local PPSO contracts with a warehouse facility to store your HHG for up to an initial 90-day entitlement period.

The PPSO also arranges to pay the storage costs for up to that length of time.

If you do not pick up, arrange for delivery, or request an extension through your local PPSO for your HHG within that 90-day period, the warehouse facility can begin charging you for the additional storage costs and in some cases may sell your HHG to recover the costs.

If the PPSO has not heard from you, it will attempt to contact you prior to expiration of your storage entitlement (30 days for shipment in tempo-

rary storage and 45 days for a shipment in non-temporary storage) to alert you that you must pick up or arrange for delivery of your HHG. If the PPSO is unable to contact you, they must notify the warehouse facility of their legal rights under the Uniform Commercial Code. This includes the right to begin charging you for storage services.

To avoid such risk, always keep your PPSO informed of any changes to your orders, your address, or other information affecting your entitlement to ship or store HHG. And above all, contact your PPSO ahead of time if you are unable to take delivery of your HHG as originally planned.

The PPSO will provide guidance and assistance in making other arrangements for continued storage of your HHG.

You may also seek guidance from the HHG Helpline at 1-800-444-7789 or learn more about your entitlements by visiting the NAVSUP home page at www.navsupsup.navy.mil.

Joseph Stallknecht dies

Joseph F. Stallknecht of the Naval Supply Systems Command died Nov. 26. He was 68.

A command evaluator, Stallknecht had worked in the Office of the NAVSUP



Inspector General and had 33 years of government service.

He was a NAVSUP Mechanicsburg plank owner and had previously worked in headquarters in Alexandria, Va.

A Hamstead, Md., resident, he is survived by his wife, Bernadette Stallknecht.

Services were held last week in Manchester, Md., with burial in Baltimore.



Frank Murray cited...

Receiving the Ted Case Program Management Award, an SPS award, is Frank Murray. Murray has been the driving force behind NAVSUP's SPS's integration and operation success, states RADM Keith W. Lippert, the Commander of the Naval Supply Systems Command, during a recent headquarters Open Forum. During Murray's tenure as SPS Special Projects Manager, all NAVSUP field activities achieved IOC, transitioned to SPS for all production work on Version 4.0, retired APADE, certified FOC, and completed the upgrade to 4.1b.



Patsy Graham honored...

Receiving a 30-year length of service certificate in a presentation conducted by RADM Keith W. Lippert, the Commander of the Naval Supply Systems Command, is Patsy Graham of SUP 05. She began working for the government in 1970 with the Social Security Administration in San Jose, Calif. In 1972 she transferred to Federal Bureau of Investigation, Washington, D.C. Then in 1980 she began work at the Navy Food Service Systems Office, Washington Navy Yard, which became part of NAVSUP in 1995.

Naval Supply Systems Command

Official postage OK'd for sending more types of personnel information

Six new categories of personnel information have been added to the list of items authorized to be sent as official mail by military personnel and Department of Defense civilian employees.

The newly approved categories are military and civilian retirement packages, additional items sent to enlisted promotion and officer selection boards after the submission of initial command packages, individual requests for microfiche of military or civilian personnel files, changes to individual Thrift Savings Plan accounts, changes to individual federal life or health insurance policies, and requests by military personnel to be added to housing lists at their next duty

stations.

People mailing these types of items must use an official government envelope printed with their command's return address, and the delivery address must be typed on the envelope or placed on by some other mechanical means.

The Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Force Management Policy authorized the additions because the consolidation of personnel offices and other functions now requires the mailing of many transactions previously handled in person.

The new authorization was announced to DOD components in an Oct. 17 letter from the DOD Official Mail Manager.



Aboard in headquarters...

RADM Keith W. Lippert, the Commander of the Naval Supply Systems Command, presents plaque to RADM Veronica Froman, Director, Ashore Readiness Division, Office of the Chief of Naval Operations, on her recent visit to Mechanicsburg for briefings in NAVSUP and to address the Mechanicsburg Supply Corps Association.



Helping out at Thanksgiving...

Food Service Division personnel from the Naval Supply Systems Command cook and carve turkeys for use by Bethesda Mission in feeding the homeless on the recent Thanksgiving holiday.

What's SUP

Condolences to Helen Bardell, SUP 131. Her mother passed away Nov. 22.

Congratulations to Tracy Evans-Qualls of Public Affairs and Sue Schneck of SUP 04 on receiving an On-the-Spot Award recently.

Chris Russell, Mark Anderson, and David Smyth received graduation certificates from ASN (RD&A) as graduates of the Acquisition Intern Program during the Oct. 18 Open Forum.

If you have news for this column, please send an e-mail to Barbara Pearce, SUP 09PA.

This period in history

Dec. 12, 1787 - Pennsylvania is second state to ratify U.S. Constitution.

Any service member

Operation *Dear Abby* 2000 is underway

By OASD public affairs

WASHINGTON (Navy Wire Service) — The Department of Defense has identified four addresses for use in Operation *Dear Abby* for the 2000 holiday season.

For the past 16 years, Abigail Van Buren, through her nationally syndicated column, has brought goodwill and cheer to the men and women of the U.S. armed forces. During the holiday season, Van Buren solicits Americans to send cards and letters to service members stationed overseas.

Addresses to be used for sending first class letter mail, 13 ounces or less only, to "Any

Service Member" are:

For Europe and South West Asia personnel —

Any Service Member, Operation *Dear Abby*, APO AE 09135

For Mediterranean Basin personnel —

Any Service Member, Operation *Dear Abby*, FPO AE 09646

For Far East personnel —

Any Service Member, Operation *Dear Abby*, APO AP 96285

For Pacific Basin personnel —

Any Service Member, Operation *Dear Abby*, FPO AP 96385

The above addresses of ma-

jor U.S. military aerial mail terminals and fleet mail centers overseas are being used as mail hubs.

They will receive the mail and distribute it on a fair-share basis to all services in their respective areas. This process is designed to preclude over burdening transportation assets and inundating specific military units. It also allows for wider distribution to service members.

Additional information on the Military Postal Service Agency and Operation *Dear Abby* is available at <http://www.hqda.army.mil/mpsa/programs.html#dearabby>.



Service honoree...

Ronald Long of Operations Support, WE2334, recently received his 30 years of service certificate from CAPT William B. Short, Commanding Officer of DECC Mechanicsburg. Long previously worked for NMCSA, NCTS, and NARDAC before coming to DISA. His 30 years have all been in the information technology field. He began as an EAM operator and progressed to computer operator, computer programmer, systems programmer, and computer specialist.

Do you have milestone coming?

In recognition of the service of long-time employees, The Supplier will begin using stories and/or photos of workers on the Mechanicsburg compound who reach 30- and 35- year service milestones. These news items will be in addition to those the Supplier currently runs for 40-year and higher awards.

Participation is voluntary.

To be included in this coverage, contact your command representative. Call NAVSUP Public Affairs at Ext. 3565; NAVICP Public Affairs at (215) 697-5770; FMSO Public Affairs at Ext. 7734; Jess Leidig III, NALC, at Ext. 5790; Alison Mento, NSLC, at Ext. 7037; or Barb Quinn, DECC, at Ext. 6819. If you are in another activity on base, call Ext. 3565.



Wrapping up...

During a session taking place last Saturday at building 14, volunteers package up gifts for youngsters attending this week's Children's Christmas Party sponsored on base by the Mechanicsburg Federal Employees Leadership Association on behalf of all installation personnel. Gifts included a full set of clothing sized specifically for each child, a comforter, and playthings. Watch for additional party coverage next issue.

Naval Inventory Control Point



Contract in focus...

Principals in a recent contract signing in the Naval Inventory Control Point include, seated, Daniel Martin, Director, Theater Air Defense Production Program, Raytheon, and Jerome Burston, NAVICP Contracts Specialist. Standing are Tim Phillips, PEO-TSC rep; Eric Windish, PEO-TSC rep; Charlie Jala, Raytheon Depot Program Manager, Norfolk; Mick Wiley, Raytheon Integrated Logistics Manager; Tom Murphy, Raytheon Senior Contracts Administrator; RADM Michael Finley, the Commander of NAVICP; Joyce Darhower, Aegis Program Manager; Doug Stennett, Aegis Program/Inventory Management Specialist; and Kay LaRue, Contracts Specialist. See story.



Mechanicsburg Complex Choir to perform Dec. 13 at bldg. 14

Members of the Mechanicsburg Complex Choir are readying to sing in the holiday season Wednesday, Dec. 13, on the installation starting at 1 p.m.

The choir will be singing such holiday standards as "Silver Bells" and "White Christmas."

They'll also be performing "Y'la-dim-ba-ney-rot," a Hanukkah song with Daniel Bongiorno, and an "Angelic

Celebration" during the program at the building 14 Special Events Forum.

And that's not all, the program will feature solos by John Stewart, Brian Garrett, and Sharon Parks, choir director Tracy Matthews reports.

Featured in "Let It Snow! Let It Snow! Let It Snow!" will be Yvonne Whisenant and Thurston Henry. A quartet of Stewart, Garrett, Jeff Fields, and Ken Gilliam will perform

Aegis Raytheon PBL contract signed

By Joyce Darhower

On Oct. 27, the Naval Inventory Control Point signed an eight-year, Performance Based Logistics (PBL) contract with Raytheon Systems Company, Sudbury, Mass.

Under this agreement, the first four years of the contract are firm fixed price with one four-year option (estimated prices). This contract is in support of two major components of the Aegis Combat System.

One component is the radar transmitter group that is the primary air and surface surveillance, multitarget detection, and precision tracking radar.

The other is the MK-99 fire control that provides continuous-wave RF energy for target illumination and missile reference during the missile guidance phase of the Aegis Combat System.

This equipment is installed as part of the Aegis AN/SPY-1A, B, BV & D configurations on board 51 DDG-51 class de-

stroyers, 27 CG-47 class cruisers and four FMS ships.

This is one of the largest NAVICP-M PBL contracts to date (\$88.8 million over an eight-year period) with a savings to the Navy of \$6.1 million over the first four years.

Under this new PBL arrangement, Raytheon will assume the full range of requirements forecasting, repairs and builds, inventory management, warehousing, transportation functions, and assume limited configuration authority for approximately 360 Navy-managed items.

Raytheon's performance in meeting contract requirements will be evaluated monthly against a series of supply availability, response time and backorder metrics. Positive and negative financial incentives are tied to their ability to perform and will be applied annually.

This contract culminates two years of intense negotiations between NAVICP and Raytheon.

Working as an Integrated Process Team, NAVICP and Raytheon resolved many unfamiliar issues in bringing this contract to award. The prediction of future demands, introduction of a new Aegis Configuration (AN/SPY-1D(V)), the automation of monthly payments through DFAS ... all these hurdles required innovative and assertive action for resolution. The completion of this Aegis Raytheon PBL contract was a direct result of the perseverance and dedication of the NAVICP/Raytheon Integrated Process Team.

"Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas."

RADM Keith W. Lippert, the Commander of the Naval Supply Systems Command, is scheduled to give opening remarks, and Jerry Thomas of the Naval Inventory Control Point is slated to give closing remarks. Joe Niemiec will be master of ceremonies.

For further information, contact Matthews at Ext. 7414.

Honoring Veterans stamp slated for May 2001 issue

By Rudi Williams, American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON, Nov. 28 — The U.S. Postal Service recently unveiled a new commemorative first-class postage stamp entitled "Honoring Veterans" that is scheduled to be issued here in May 2001.

"The 'Honoring Veterans' stamp reminds us of the thousands of Americans, who have fought to keep our country free," said Deborah K. Willhite, the Postal Service's senior vice president for government relations and public policy, who unveiled the stamp. "It will serve as a 'thank you' to those who continue to serve as members of veterans service organizations."

She said many veterans organizations aid veterans and their families, including assistance with benefit applications, transportation to Veterans Affairs medical facilities, and burial and memorial services. The present population of U.S. veterans is estimated to be nearly 25 million, Willhite noted.

Designed by Carl Herrman of Carlsbad, Calif., the stamp features a photograph of the American flag. The flag symbolizes veterans' patriotic service to the nation in peace and war. The phrase "Honoring Veterans" is at the top of the stamp, and the phrase "Continuing to Serve" appears at the bottom.

The new stamp and other currently available philatelic items can be viewed and ordered at the Postal Service Web site at www.usps.com. They also can be ordered by calling toll-free 1 800 STAMP-24.



The Atlantic Ocean, Nov. 8...

USS Enterprise (CVN 65), foreground, and USS Dwight D. Eisenhower (CVN 69) steam side-by-side while conducting an ammunition offload in the Atlantic Ocean. Eisenhower is operating in the Atlantic Ocean conducting an ammunition offload and flight deck certification. U.S. Navy photo by Chief Photographer's Mate Greg McCreash.

Brashear's daredevilry got him into water

By Staff Sgt. Kathleen T. Rhem, USA, American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON, Oct. 24 — Carl Brashear's mama always said he was a daredevil. But even she would never have guessed just how right she was.

Brashear, the subject of the new film "Men of Honor," starring Cuba Gooding Jr. and Robert DeNiro, left his roots as a sharecropper's son in Kentucky and went on to become a true American hero.

He was the first African-American Navy diver and eventually became the first African American to earn the title "master diver" but not before losing part of his left leg saving another Sailor.

When Brashear joined the Navy in 1948, the same year President Truman desegregated the military, he was assigned as a steward, cooking and cleaning for senior naval officers in Key West, Fla.

"In the '40s most blacks were given the job as steward,"

Brashear said. "I figured out it wasn't for me from the get-go." Ironically, it was bucking the social system that elevated him out of that position.

"In those days, 'colored' could only go swimming one half a day a week in Key West," he said. "I took it upon myself to go swimming when I wasn't supposed to. This chief saw me swimming and thought I was a very effective swimmer."

That chief eventually helped pave his way into a beach master's unit. At the time, many Navy seaplanes didn't have retractable landing gear and were fitted with removable wheel sets when hauled around on land. Brashear said it was beach masters who had to swim to the planes and retrieve the wheels.

It was his swimming when he wasn't supposed to as a child that made his mother think he was such a daredevil in the first place. "I would go swimming in the ponds and the creeks and miss church and come home and get a whippin'

from my mother," he said.

Brashear said he had always admired the deep-sea divers, but the urge to become one hit him strongly after he saw a seaplane roll off a flight deck into the sea in 1953.

"They brought a barge up alongside the ship and dressed a deep-sea diver, and I thought that was the greatest thing since sliced bread," he said. The diving bug had bitten, and Brashear immediately started putting in requests to attend diving school.

But it wasn't an easy path from there. Segregation was illegal by 1953 but discrimination was alive and well. "My special request wasn't making it through the chain like it was supposed to," he said. "It would get lost. It would get washed in somebody's shirt. Various things would happen to it."

Brashear kept submitting requests and eventually one was accepted. He attended the Navy's diving school in Bayonne, N.J., and the rest, as

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Ads

CAR POOL

- Need ride bet. base & River House Apts., 2311 N. Front, Hbg. Will pay for gas. Hours flexible. Phil, X6183.
- Lebanon car pool needs 1 driver. Drive once a week 4-10 hours. 6-4:30 p.m. RDO-Fridays. Dave, X6224.
- Rider/driver wanted for Elizabethtown-NAVICP car pool. Mike, X4024
- Need 2 riders/drivers from Shippensburg area for nonsmoking car pool. 8 hr. sched., 7-3:30. Anita, X6195; Mike, X5556.

WANTED

- Lunch time transportation from bldg. 309 to grocery store. Will pay for gas. Phil, X6183.
- Someone willing to iron shirts/misc. small items. 691-4130.

FREE

- To good home: beagle/shepherd mix - 1 yr., very friendly, good w/ cats/dogs. 932-5692.

FOR SALE

- Leather jacket, lady size med. Harley Davidson Mirage, exc. cond. \$150. 582-8481.
- Men's ski boots. Techno Pro maxim. size 10. Exc. cond. Were \$285. Asking \$75. 766-3459.
- '92 Chrysler Le Baron, 73k, AC, brand new tires, garage kept, runs great, \$3800. 240-0367 after 5.
- 2 white Graco toddler beds w/ teddy bear headboards \$30 ea., 2 crib mattresses \$20 ea. 258-4337.
- 14' Laser sailboat w/trailer, fast boat, easy to rig, good cond., \$800. 761-0700.
- Basketball backboard pole system. Still in box. Acrylic backboard. \$150 great Christmas gift! 691-9598.
- 3 five-day Disney adult, 3 one-day adult Universal tickets. No exp. date. 766-9126.

Free Classified Ads

The Mechanicsburg Supplier will publish free listings of personal items and services for sale by personnel of the naval and defense activities at Mechanicsburg, provided such items and services represent an incidental exchange between personnel on the installation and not business operations. Ads are limited to 15 words, one to an employee, and are due in NAVSUP Public Affairs Office, Code 09PA, Bldg. 309, prior to noon Monday, Dec. 18. All ads must be submitted on ad coupons and must be signed. Additionally, your signature below signifies that housing offered for sale is available on a nondiscriminatory basis. Extensions may be used on car pool ads only. For all others, use your home phone number. Ads are printed on a space available basis.

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- Wood playset, slide, climbing rope, bb hoop, vinyl roof, \$100. 774-5561 after 5.
- Bridgestone Blizzak snow/ice tires 205-70R15 mounted/balanced Chrysler 5 stud wheels \$179. 763-0353.
- Must sell new Troy Bilt 17 hp riding mower, paid \$1600/sell for \$1200. Accommodates snowthrower. 730-7298.
- Fencing materials - 30 - 10 ft. treated wood rails, 4 posts \$100. 60 steel electric fence posts & wire \$75. 432-0971.
- 1 coffee & end tables (2); \$70. barstools, dark wood (3); \$89. all very good cond. 697-4748 after 4.
- Majestic filter queen vacuum - all attachments & filters \$175. natural gas fireplace, freestanding \$200. 691-6362.
- Ludwig snare drum w/accessories, used 1 year, paid \$371. Will sell for \$150. From Menchey Music Co. 691-7734.
- YMCA family membership 3 mos. general membership, great Xmas gift! \$250/obo. 737-5111.
- Car bed w/place to put toys brand new - hardly used asking \$200. 486-3520 leave message.
- '93 Ford Explorer XLT, new tires exc. cond. \$8,500/obo. Large microwave exc. cond. \$35. 624-0981.
- Powerwinch -boats up to 10,000# with access -remote used 2x new \$429 sell \$350. 838-8774.
- 2000 Dodge Caravan. 2,500 mi, automatic, warranty, many extras, \$15,900. 258-0367.
- Vermont casting Franco Belge coal stove 15 yrs. old seldom used \$300. 245-9290.
- '90 Olds 98 Regency exc. cond. Power everything, velour seats, computer, cassette. \$2100. 258-0705.
- '95 GMC Safari SLX minivan, AWD, roof rack, towing package, teal, 73,000 m. \$9,500/OBO. 241-5140.
- '95 Ford conversion van, 63K, all

- power, inspected til 11/01, super clean, \$13,500. 795-6227.
- Pentium 200 computer w/monitor, 32 MB RAM, 56k modem, CD ROM, speakers, perfect. \$275. 691-4130.
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- Used men's bike \$15. Used women's 10 spd. bike \$30. 737-7349.
- Recreational & educational computer games, primarily children's. good cond. \$6 - \$22. 766-6316.

Broadcasts feature Navy

The following are national broadcasts featuring the Navy:

Sunday, Dec. 10, 8 p.m., History Channel, Battle History of the Navy: Born into War.

Monday, Dec. 11, 11:30 a.m., History Channel, Great Blunders in History: Wooden Flat-Tops; also 9 p.m., History Channel, Raise the Monitor!

Wednesday, Dec. 20, 10 p.m., Discovery Channel, A Super Carrier Is Burning

Saturday, Dec. 23, 2 p.m., Discovery Channel, A Super Carrier Is Burning

Friday, Dec. 29, 7 p.m., Fox SportsNet, USNA Men's Basketball: Vs. Wake Forest

Wednesday, 24 Jan. 24, 7 p.m., Patriot League TV, USNA Men's Basketball: Vs. Army
Times are EDT.

Marines ask help gathering Toys for Tots

The Marines' annual Toys for Tots collection is now under way on the installation.

The campaign is aimed at collection of new and unused toys for distribution to needy children in the area.

It is asked that toys not be wrapped so that they may be categorized for appropriate distribution through area social service networks.

The collection period runs through Dec. 15.

Collection barrels have been placed at the following locations:

- *Lobby of building 310
- *Main entrance of building 309
- *Main entrance of building 407

The Marine Corps Reserve is sponsoring the drive with liaison provided by installation Marines. For information, contact LtCol. Debra Hofstetter, Ext. 4601.

ITT update

The Information, Tickets and Tours Office invites employees to shop for holiday gifts and stocking stuffers from among its many offers.

Tickets for trips and events, movie tickets, Entertainment/Bonus Books, and Ski Lift Tickets are among its offers.

Federal Employees Almanac

Orders for the 2001 Federal Employees Almanac for \$9 each are now being taken in the ITT Office.

The book provides answers to frequently asked questions about job rights and benefits ... latest information on health and life insurance ... rules on discrimination and grievances ... tax breaks plus much, much more.

The price represents a \$3.95/book savings plus \$3.95 handling fee. Books are expected to arrive around the beginning to mid-February. Order/payment deadline is Dec. 20.

Magic vs. 76ers

An Orlando Magic vs. Philadelphia 76ers outing is set for Feb. 2 for \$43.50 per person. Travel to the First Union Center and be a part of the excitement and energy.

Price includes roundtrip transportation and \$35 game seats (a \$58 value).

Deadline is Jan. 3 or at sell out.

Office hours

The ITT Office in building 310 is open workdays. Hours are 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. Its hours on Mondays and Fridays are 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Or you may call Ext. 2266 to reach the ITT hot line.

Or check the office's bulletin board on e-mail under #People (NAVICP) and FMSO Information.

At a glance...

- Dec. 11 Federal Employees Health Benefits open season ends.
- Dec. 13 National Guard Birthday
- Dec. 13 Mechanicsburg Complex Choir Program, building 14 Special Events Forum, 1 p.m. POC: Tracy Matthews, X7414.
- Dec. 14 Officers' Spouses' Club/MSCA Holiday Lunch, O'Club.
- Dec. 18 Deadline for Dec. 22 Supplier, noon. POC: Barb Pearce, X3565.
- Dec. 20 Deadline to order Federal Employees Almanac. See ITT story.
- Dec. 22 Hanukkah
- Dec. 23 Hershey Bears vs. Louisville Hockey, Hersheypark Arena, 7 p.m., \$11. Payment required at sign up in ITT Office. A \$13.50/ticket value.
- Dec. 25 Christmas
- Dec. 26 Kwanzaa begins
- Dec. 27 Hershey Bears vs. Wilkes-Barre Hockey, Hersheypark Arena, 7:30 p.m., \$10. Payment required at sign up in ITT Office. A \$13.50/ticket value.
- Jan. 1 New Year's Day
- Jan. 5 Sesame Street Live "When I Grow Up," w/Bedtime Snack, Hersheypark Arena, 7 p.m. performance, \$15.50/person. Bedtime Snack w/hot cocoa, cookies & ice cream at Hersheypark Employee Cafeteria follows show. Free parking. Payment due at sign up in ITT Office. A \$30.98 value.
- Jan. 12 Snowtubing Party, Ski Roundtop, \$10.50/person for snowtubing (5:30 to 6:30 p.m. & pizza party (6:45 to 7:45 p.m.) or \$6.50 for pizza party. Payment required at sign up in ITT Office.
- Jan. 12 Blue Collar Comedy Tour starring Jeff Foxworthy and Bill Engvall, Hersheypark Arena (stage in the round), 8 p.m., \$36/\$31 person. Payment required at sign up in ITT Office. A \$2.50/ticket processing fee savings.
- Jan. 14 Health Benefits changes effective.
- Jan. 14 Super Bingo trip to Martinsburg, V.W., \$57.50/\$72.25/person. Payment required at sign up in ITT Office.
- Jan. 17 Champions on Ice, Hersheypark Arena, 7 p.m., \$46/person. Payment required at sign up in ITT Office. Receive a \$4/ticket plus \$5 shipping and handling savings.
- Jan. 21 Hershey Bears vs. Syracuse Hockey, Hersheypark Arena, 6 p.m., \$10. Payment required at sign up in ITT Office. A \$13.50/ticket value.
- Jan. 24-28 Pa. Auto Show and Boat Show, \$5.50/person. Tickets must be ordered in advance. Payment required at sign up in ITT Office. Deadline: Jan. 12. Ticket price represents a \$1.50/ticket savings. Children 7-12 ticket is \$3 and ages 6 and under are free.
- Feb. 2 Orlando Magic vs. Phila. 76ers, \$34.50/person. Payment required at sign up in ITT Office. Deadline: Jan. 3 or at sell out.

Daredevilry

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they say, is history—history that's being brought to life in the new movie, that opened in November.

Brashear doesn't necessarily think he was better than other African-American Sailors before him who had tried to become Navy divers. He just wasn't easily deterred.

"People give up too easily. I was the type that wouldn't give up because my father wouldn't give up," he said. "My father passed a lot to me: Have a good attitude and keep your spirits high, love your fellow man and work hard, and be the best. I believed all that stuff."

The can-do attitude his father passed down not only drove him to diving school but helped him work his way back to full duty after he lost the lower part of his left leg in an accident in 1966.

"I hadn't reached my goal in the Navy," he said. "I loved the Navy so much that I did not believe, not for one minute, that an amputation would prevent me from continuing my career as a chief petty officer and a deep-sea diver."

The Navy originally had other ideas but once again Brashear proved his worth and showed the Navy an amputee could still be a deep-sea diver. He remained in the Navy for 13 more years, went on to become a "master diver," and attained the rank of master chief petty officer. He never was placed on limited duty within the Navy because of his supposed disability.

Brashear said he was involved with the movie from the beginning. He helped write the script, and he was present during filming. He's awed by Gooding's portrayal of him.

The movie is dramatized, but Brashear said it's very accurate overall.